

Introduced by Senator Alquist

January 19, 2006

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 74—Relative to the Lunar New Year Celebration.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 74, as introduced, Alquist. Lunar New Year.

This measure would request the Members of the Senate to join Asian and Pacific Islander communities throughout the state in celebrating January 29, 2006, as the beginning of the Lunar New Year 4704 and extend best wishes for a peaceful and prosperous lunar new year to all Californians.

Fiscal committee: no.

1 WHEREAS, January 29, 2006, will mark the beginning of the
2 Lunar New Year 4704 that is celebrated in many Asian
3 communities around the world, including the United States, and
4 especially California; and

5 WHEREAS, California is home to over 4 million Asian and
6 Pacific Islander Americans of Bangladeshi, Cambodian, Chinese,
7 Filipino, Hmong, Indian, Indonesian, Iu-Mien, Japanese, Korean,
8 Laotian, Malaysian, Pakistani, Sri Lankan, Taiwanese, and
9 Vietnamese descent; and

10 WHEREAS, The Asian and Pacific Islander American
11 community has contributed to the social, cultural, civic,
12 economic, and academic success of the state; and

13 WHEREAS, The lunar new year is predominantly celebrated
14 by the 1.7 million Chinese, Korean, and Vietnamese residents of
15 California; and

1 WHEREAS, The Lunar New Year 4704 is the Year of the Dog
2 and is universally celebrated by these communities as a time to
3 renew family ties and starting the new year with a clean slate;
4 and

5 WHEREAS, The celebration of the lunar new year in
6 communities throughout California illustrates the state's rich
7 cultural diversity and commitment to racial, religious, and
8 cultural tolerance; now, therefore, be it

9 *Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly*
10 *thereof concurring*, That the Members join Asian and Pacific
11 Islander communities throughout the state in celebrating January
12 29, 2006, as the beginning of the Lunar New Year 4704 and
13 extend best wishes for a peaceful and prosperous lunar new year
14 to all Californians; and be it further

15 *Resolved*, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit copies of
16 this resolution to the author for appropriate distribution.